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SUBJECT: RWANDA TIP PROPOSAL FOR G/TIP MANAGED ESF AND
INCLE FUNDS

REF: STATE 28157

11. This is an action request, please see paragraph 5.

12. Summary. Rwanda is a country attempting to focus on child prostitution and other forms of trafficking in persons. Due in part to post's regular pressure on the GOR to address the problem, on 23 April the Rwandan National Police (RNP) submitted a project proposal that identifies appropriate anti-TIP objectives for the RNP, but it does not include the required details to apply for G/TIP ESF/INCLE funding. Post is encouraged by the GOR's willingness to strengthen the rule of law and the capacity of the criminal justice system to combat trafficking in persons and requests recommendations from G/TIP as to how to best assist it with ESF and INCLE funds. End Summary.

13. The RNP's project proposal identifies the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) as the lead component for the RNP in combating TIP. The proposal acknowledges that "trafficking in persons in Rwanda is a crime that has not been adequately addressed due to various reasons" and it details some of the challenges (Note. Rwanda desk has a full copy of the project proposal. End note.) The RNP identifies five objectives in the proposal:

- To carry out extensive research and assess TIP information, collection and proactive recording in Rwanda
- To increase public awareness on the issues TIP and the role of police in TIP combating
- To develop a coordination mechanism on human trafficking at (the) national level
- To increase awareness on human trafficking and human rights for stakeholders at all levels
- To increase police capacity in dealing with human trafficking issues

14. The proposal requests funding for five activities to support the objectives:

- Professional gender expert for 6 months to carry out research and data collection (USD 5,454)
- Organizing training for investigators and judicial police officers (USD 18,181)
- Organize and hold stakeholders workshops on human trafficking and human rights at provincial levels (USD 27,272)
- Media campaigns and advocacy materials on TIP and disseminate them (USD 27,272)

15. Although the GOR's project proposal lacks some detail, we see merit in the overall concept. Post will work with the RNP to refine its proposal and appreciates all input from G/TIP. Specifically, please advise post if there are NGOs capable of performing the development of anti-TIP written policies and procedures for the RNP and/or implementation of improved procedures for the RNP to identify and rescue

victims, conduct investigations, protect and assist victims, and prosecute traffickers. Or, does G/TIP recommends direct assistance to the GOR?

¶16. Post appreciates all guidance from G/TIP on assisting the GOR with its efforts to combat TIP. Post point of contact is pol chief Richard Kaminski (250.505.601 ext. 3304).
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